

REMARKS

Claims 25-43 and 67 are pending. Applicants herein amend claims 25-27, 33-36, 39-43, and 67.

Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for her consideration during the interview conducted on November 29, 2005. During the interview, the Examiner identified claim amendments, made herein, that would overcome her objection to Applicants' priority claims to Serial No. 09/715,850, filed November 17, 2000, and Serial No. 60/166,664, filed November 19, 1999.

Applicants believe that the pending claims are in condition for allowance, and respectfully request reconsideration and a prompt notice of allowance. If the Examiner has any questions the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned at (206) 359-6373.

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Respectfully submitted,

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